

REMARKS

At the time the present Office Action was issued (June 29, 2011), claims 1-37, 39-48 and 50-78 were pending.

The status of the application in view of the present Office Action is as follows:

(A) The reissue declaration filed with the application is defective;

(B) Claims 1-37, 39-48, and 50-78 were rejected as being based upon a defective reissue declaration under 35 U.S.C. § 251.

Applicants submit herewith an updated Declaration correcting the defect noted by the Examiner. The Declaration has been executed by three of the four inventors. One inventor (James D. McLean) has not responded to diligent efforts to reach him for his signature. Accordingly, a Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) and associated Declaration of Paula Quinanola accompanies this response.

In view of the foregoing, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-0665, under Order No. 030048094US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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